Washington, Dec. 24.-Inspired by the possibility that the constitutional amendment for the national prohibition just hat will nullify it even after it has been atified within seven years by threesurths of the States, prohibition forces e considering the institution at once of friendly legal proceeding to pass upon question

Representative Randall of California. only member of the prohibition party the House, has made the first move in the public:
"There is a heavy penalty for sell"There is a heavy penalty for sellaction should be started immediately,

bree fixes a time limit of seven years within which the States must act upon Failure to act within measure. hat time, either by ratification or reection, renders the proposed amendment in operative.

HELD TO BE A VIOLATION. The text of section three reads:

This article shall be inoperative uness it shall have been ratified as an mendment to the constitution by the Legislatures of the several States, as provided in the constitution, within even years from the date of the subission hereof to the States by the ongress.

both the Senate and the House embers who favors prohibition and voted for the amendment sought to have this section eliminated on the round that it was a plain violation of other parts of the constitution not pecifically amended by the new measre. Article five of the constitution. which outlines the preciee method by be submitted by Congress to the ates, was cited as the particular part of the constitution which it was conended was flatly disobeyed by having he seven year limitation attached to e prohibition amendment.

In the Senate Senator Borah, republian, of Idaho, a profound constitutional awyer as well as an advocate of prohibicontended that Congress was not ubmitting the amendment to the States cause the method of submission vas not followed, nor did the prohibition nendment pretend to amend the Constiution by providing a new method.

"If I felt perfectly clear that the courts would hold that section three were mere surplusage." said Senator Borah, "I hould not be uneasy about the situation But when the Constitution provides that he manner in which an amendment shall e submitted, prescribes how it shall go onditions, I do not see how it can be ubmitted at all except in accordance vith those terms and conditions. what I have the great fear of-that it will be held not to have been a submis-

In the House, Representative Reavis, re blican of Nebraska, a member of the judiciary committee, raised the question of the integrity of section three in another orm. While not suggesting that courts ould hold that Congress had not submited the amendment, he did express the aprehension that the courts would hold hat the seven year limitation might be onsidered as an inducement for the pasage of the measure, and by that criterion old it unconstitutional

DECLARES IT IS A JOKER.

"Section three is a joker," said Mr. leavis. 'It ought to be cut out of this esolution. Never before has there been any constitutional amendment submit ed to Legislatures on a time limit. Artile five of the constitution says that an amendment submitted as we propose to ubmit this, shall be operative when acted pon favorably by three-fourths of the egislatures of the States. There is no ne limit in the constitution. The amendment is submitted until enough Legislaares have passed upon it to indicate whether or not it will be approved by hree-fourths of them.

"I believe this section three is unconstitutional. I do not believe it is orth the paper it is written on. If this section should be held by ourts as the section which induced the passage of the resolution then the resolution itself is void."

Prohibition members of Congress are peginning to see now a significance in the attitude of the wet members oward this section three which they id not see at the time it was under liscussion. There was not a member of either the House or Senate opposed prohibition who raised the question of the constitutionality of this section. on the contrary, they made the most igorous arguments in support of its constitutionality. They also voted against the entire prohibition amendment, but voted in favor of having section three included in it.

#### WAR IS INCREASING NUMBER OF BRIDES

1,500 More Marriages in Episcopa

New York, Dec. 23 .- An increase of 1.500 n the number of marriages performed in he Episcopal Church, which was said to be due mainly to the rush of enlisted nen to get married before going to war s shown in the annual report of the church, made public here to-day. If the same increase held good in other denominations in America, it was pointed out var marriages have exceeded 50,000.

Candidates for the Episcopal ministry have fallen off markedly, due to young nen goling to war. Three hundred mir isters of the church named are in the service and are going or are offering to lo so. The prediction is made that next year will show an even more serious de cline in numbers of candidates.

Episcopal communicants number. rding to the figures for 1917, 1.090,555. The income was just under \$21,000,000. the largest in the history of the church, but Episcopal missions ended this year

VT. BULL ENROLLED

\$175,000 in debt.

#### IN THE RED CROSS

East Burke, Dec. 21 .- John W. Kelly,

Red Cross worker here, signed up a bull as a member yesterday.

The animal belongs to Walter Nelson, himself and family, wanted his bull en-

Mr. Kelly accordingly took the money, and added "Walter's Noble Boy," the animal's name, to the Red Cross rolls.

IF THE BABY IS CUTTING TEETR be sure and use that old and well-tried remedy, Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrus, for children teething. It soothes the child. softens the gums, allays all pain, cures wind colic and is the best remedy for distribuce. Twenty days are

## WORK FOR NOVEMBER BROTHERS MEET SUMMARIES OF STATE'S

Cash balance, October 31,

30, 1917 ..... 1,443,770.93

\$1,743,778.40

Bank Commissioner. In addition to the regular work of inspection the report of the bank commissioner calls particular attention to the operation of the law re-

nd will confer with other leaders of the mont,-without a license from the bank ry forces with a view to having the ques- commissioner—of any lands situated other purposes. ion settled before the campaign is begun broughout the country for ratification by he States.

The amendment contains a provision the first is without precedent. Section bree fixes a time limit of seven years.

of Vermont, municipalities of state, notes secured by mortgages of which they have agreed to change the policy form in insuring automother than the policy form in the estate in this state, obligations given by individuals who are citizens or legal residents of this state, bonds, stocks or notes of corporations which have been approved by the public service commission, or other govern-mental authority of any state or of the United States.

"Do not buy any of the securities which require a license for their sale, of any one who is not able to produce a certificate from the bank commissioner showing that he has a li-

cense to sell them. any cases coming to your attention as was insured under separate poliof attempts to sell such securities by cles and in which others are interested unlicensed people.

"Study investments yourself. Do
not take the chance of losing your

hard carned money by investing in some scheme which looks good on paper or promises large dividends. "Deal only with responsible people who are authorized to do business in

Commissioner of Education. A considerable part of the time of been devoted during the present month to the organization of the work of vocational education provided for by Federal aid. Under the act of made by that bureau of the Downer Congress, agricultural education, a like amount for domestic science and trade education, and the same sum for training teachers for these three subjects. The payment of these sums is conditioned upon equal appropriations by the state. Plans and courses of study made by the state for these subjects have been submitted by the state department for approval to the Federal Board of

Vocational Education. Commissioner of Agriculture.

At hearings in New York City the ommissioner presented evidence before the New York City Committee on milk production relative to the cost of producing milk. Work has also been done in preparing plans for milk houses and the remodeling of dairy barns. In the work of creamery inspection 63 dairy plants and 129 farms were inspected in November. The live stock inspection work consisted largely in giving the tubercutest to cattle, 463 head having been tested by the state veterinarian and 250 head by the federal veteri-

There are at present 28 creameries under contract with the state department of agriculture to receive the manufacturing and marketing service which the department furnishoperation with the federal department of agriculture and secures to cream eries availing themselves of it the service of the dairy manufacturing expert employed and of the marketing agent of the department. The creameries are required to follow out the suggestions and instructions relative to improved methods of manufacture and grading of products given by the creamery expert and are required to make prompt shipments and keep proper accounting systems approved by the agents of the de-partment. The marketing agent endeavors to find a market for all products produced if of satisfactory grade, and as far as possible to see that the customers secured have satisfactory financial standing although the state assumes no liability in this regard. The department also furinspection of the premises of the patrons of the creameries under contract with it, the product of which is no up to a medium standard and issues such orders to the patrons as will insure sanitary conditions in their dairy

The work of the forester during the ufacturing plant at Hannibal, Mo., by month has largely concerned itself with an effort to increase the cord wood production of the state.

State Board of Health

The report of the secretary of the vital statistics of the state for year, giving particular attention to the prevalence of communicable diseases. During the past two years special attention has been given to typhoid fever with the result that the typhoid fever problem is almost solved in Vermont. Similar gains have been shown in the treatment of fightheria. Scarlet fever has been prevalent to an unusual extent, there eving been reported to date year 694 cases, and the death ratio is in about the proportion of one to twenty-five cases. In 1915, deaths from scarlet fever were only one to one hundred cases. With reference

to measles the report says:
"An example of disease still uncontrolled is found in measles. There

KILLED DEER, PAYS \$100.

Bny Johnson of Sheldon Hunted Out

Season and Is Fined. St. Albans, Dec. 21.-Bay Johnson of Sheldon was arraigned before Judge N. N. had been in connection with the case of Post in city court yesterday morning on Mr. and Mrs. Moses Page of that town the charge of killing deer out of season. A plea of nolo contendere was entered the Acts of 1915, relative to venereal disand the respondent was fined \$100 and costs which he paid. In the case of State vs. from six to seven months in the house M. B. Cantell of Enosburg Falls, the respondent was charged with violating the first made in the State under the Sunday law in keeping his barber shop open on Sunday. A plea of nolo contendere \$2 and costs which he paid. Both cases The secretary of the board of charities were prosecuted by State's Attorney W. R. and probation would not remove unaffect-

\$1,743,778.40 ing of cases and to the fact that deaths from measles are now attrib-

> listed as broncho-pneumonia or some other cause as formerly." Whooping cough is still one of the most prevalent of communicable diseases, the difficulty of quarantine being much greater in this than in most other diseases. The tuberculosis record will be slightly better this year than in 1916.

There were made at the state labolating to investments and issues the following warning relative to the many worthless securities offered to diphtheria examinations, 120 tuberculosis examinations, 72 syphilis ex-"There is a heavy penalty for sell-ing or negotiating for sale in Ver-inations, 51 milk examinations and lesser numbers of examinations for

Insurance Commissioner.

The insurance commissioner has, during the month, completed arrange-ments with all liability companies by biles to conform to certain new requirements. Agents of foreign fire and casualty companies not authorized to do business in this country under the provisions of the "trading with the enemy act" recently enacted by Congress have been notified to write no further business for these companies. The insurance loss by fire on the barn at the state prison farm at Windsor has been adjusted at \$6,252.30. During the month the department has placed insurance on "Inform the bank commissioner of all of the state property except such the amount of the insurance placed being \$2,587,500, at a rate materially less than what was formerly paid.

Fish and Game Commissioner. The reports of deer killed during the open season, which was from November 10th to 20th, inclusive, show that throughout the state there were 981 deer killed of a total considerable part of the time of weight of 168,671 pounds or an avepartment has received a report from the United States Bureau of Biologireceives \$5000 state forest at Sharon and certain the Federal Government for portions of Lake Champlain. This report recommends the establishment of two wild fowl reservations on the Vermont shore of Lake Champlain and that the Downer state forest be used as a reservation for ruffed grouse and woodcock. The department has under consideration and other recommendations of the Federal Bureau.

> THE BOARD OF CHARITIES AND PROBATION has inspected 7 poor-houses, attended to 43 child cases, investigated 10 families where the surroundings were immoral or degrading and returned 6 paroled prisoners who were on probation, to confinement.

THE WEIGHTS AND MEASURES DEPARTMENT has made 3184 in-spections at 353 stores located in 22 different towns.

THE COMMISSIONER OF IN-DUSTRIES received during Novemtwo were fatal, has allowed compen- on the north side of the Missisquoi river meeting at five o'clock. sation in 129 cases and has finally disposed of and closed 984 cases. There have been 22 hearings held. THE AUTOMOBILE DEPART-

MENT of the office of the Secretary of State issued during November 212 automobile registrations, 63 chauffeurs' licenses and 253 operators' 11censes for which there was received in fee \$1925.89. There were two licenses suspended during the month.

THE COMMISSIONER OF TAXES has been preparing during the month a bulletin in the form of questions and answers covering the genera tax law for the use of listers and other officials. Attention has been given to the collection of overdue corporate taxes.

THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMIS-SOIN has held 11 public hearings during the month relating to various matters concerned with the administration of public untilities in the state and has investigated 5 acci-The commission participated dents. in a joint hearing with the Interstate Commerce Commission and the New England Commissions at Boston relating to the proposed increases of freight and passenger rates on steam railways operating in New England.

PURE WATER FOR EMPLOYEES.

River water is filtered, refrigerated and sterilized, then circulated through 12,000 feet of one-inch pipe to 35 sanitary drinking fountains in a mana supply system recently installed at an expense less than the old system of supplying the workmen with cooled

TREASURE TROVE.

A veritable treasure trove was un earthed the other day by a Marceline woman who runs a restaurant. When she was ransacking her desk she found \$52 in change and a check for \$6, all of which had been there since goodness knows when. The money had slipped unnoticed through a hole in the back of the deak and never had been missed,—Kansas City Times.

AND PANGS OF INDIGESTION.

The tendency to abandon public omy will be gratefully welcomed by e who have long suffered the panga of after-dinner oratory.-Philadelphia Ledger.

MARRIED SUFFERING LOATHSOME DISEASE

Montpeller, Dec. 21 .- W. H. Jeffery re turned this noon from Groton, where he who were prosecuted under section 198 of eases. Each of them was sentenced to of correction. The prosecution is the persons marrying while suffering from a was entered and the respondent was fined certain disease are liable to prosecution. ed children from the family.

# XMAS DINNER FOR

town Hit at Crossing in Middlesex.

Montpeller, Dec. 23.-Kenneth and Eart Dow, sons of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Dow of village, were killed instantly about 7:45 the Three Mile bridge crossing of the Cencident was seen by the three Rollins boys who were on their way to their home in Middlesex after a trip to Montpelier. One the accident because it was in that town that it occurred. Health Officer Frank Vaughan with Selectman Don B. Sawyer visited the scene and authorized the moving of the bodies from the place to the Volholm undertaking rooms, where they

were prepared for burial. The Dow boys met the Rollins boys and their mother about 10 rods from the cross-The Rollins boys were repairing a break in their sleigh. After the Dow team passed the Rollins rig the men of the latter proceeded with the repairs until toward the crossing. Both men and the horse were thrown on the same side of the track. The horse was carried about 10 feet from the crossing, while Kenneth Dow was thrown about 20 feet and his brother 30 feet farther along the track. The train crew did not know they had hit anything until, from Montpelier Junction, they sent a message back to the stock train crew that they had found parts of a sleigh on the pilot of their engine and to look out for bodies. When the stock train reached the site it was stopped and Charles Abbott of Waterbury, a drover on the train, killed the horse.

'he boys were about 21 years of age. They were born in Moretown and had worked in that vicinity. They leave their parents and one brother, Brent, of More-

ST. JOHNSBURY TO GET SHIPMENT OF COAL

Montpeller, Dec. 21.-Information from at the office this morning that in addition to the 17 cars of coal nine more have been shipped from the mines to St. Johnsbury. This is hard coal and the kind most needed in that village where the domestic heating was the hard problem. The adminisrator finds that the coal dealers are cooperating finely and that with one excepon they had done all that could be asked of them. A proper reprimand and eliminaion of coal for that dealer has placed him on the co-operating list of dealers.

### DROWNS WHILE COASTING

in Missisquoi-Companion Tries to Save Her.

Enosburg Falls, Dec. 23,-Myrtle Cross, 16 years old, was drowned yesterday aft-ernoon between two and three o'clock torical society. on St. Albans street, and the sleds went lown the hill and out on the river. There was an open place in the ice near what s called the rapids and the water is six or eight feet deep at that point. Into this went the little girl's sled. Ray Rushlow, little boy of about eight years, handed a stick to the little girl and told her to keep paddling. In the mean time he tried to reach her but was unable to do so and she ank exhausted.

Selectman H. W. Towle is dynamiting the ice, but the body has not been re-covered yet. Myrtle Cross was an adopted daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Orvis J.

TO TRAIN FOR SERVICE.

ermont Boys to Have Opportunity to Prepare, Says Hillegas.

Montpeller, Dec. 21.—Commissioner of Education M. B. Hillegas returned this morning from Washington, D. C., where he has been attending a conference of commissioners with the federal governused in instruction of soldiers who go into the army. Vermont will contribute to that and will

day afternoons, if the educational board very probable it will do.
Instruction in truck driving, which in-

cludes care of machine, gas welding and vulcanizing, will be taught. Garage owners and cities will be expected to loan their equipment. The Catholic Church has et aside all regulations so that Sunday afternoons may be used.

Arrangements will be made so that the first and second classes in the draft will be assigned, according to their past ex-perience, to certain educational lines under the new provisions. There are 87 occu-pations from which these young men may elect to qualify for further army service, which will give them a better chance to earn promotio

Commissioner Hillegas while in Washngton on other matters looked over the sults of the recent inspection of the Vail school by the federal government experts and learned that the report was very complimentary of the work being done in the school which is something new in that line of education. He also learned that the Vermont plan of instruction on the vocational education under the provisions of the Smith-Hughes fund from the fed eral government had been accepted with-out a change which speaks well of the efforts of those who drew up the plan of instruction.

OLUNTEERS TO GET STATE PAY MONTHLY

Montpeller, Dec. 21.-From the State treasurer's office was sent this morning \$1,100 blanks upon which application will than through the 1st Vermont regiment. Twelve cards will be sent to each of the Twelve cards will fill out of these each volunteers, who will fill out of these each month for the coming year, to be sent to the State treasurer's office each month. This will give rapid service to the sol-

EXTRA WORK FOR WOMEN. War conditions try the strength of women. The overworked woman, in home, office or factory, will find in Fo-ley Kidney Pills a ready relief from kidney trouble, backache, headache, The overworked rheumatic pains, stiff joint, swollen muscles and that awful tired feeling.

# BELIEVES PUBLIC PACIFIST PASTOR INSTANT DEATH EVERY SOLDIER WILL PAY PRICE UNDER \$1,000 BAIL

Kenneth and Earl Dow of More- Delayed Supplies Reach Units Optimistic Opinion of Milk Pro- Rev. Clarence H. Waldron of ducer at Federal Hearin France-Gifts by Huning, Boston. dred Thousand.

Washington, Dec. 23.—Every American soldier in France is to get his Christ-Moretown, a short distance from Middlesex mas turkey, cranberry sauce, sweet pota- an increase in the price, provided the toes and mince pie, after all. The war federal milk commission found such an department announced to-night that de- advance justifiable to the producers and o'clock last evening at what is known as layed supplies for some units of the ex-the Three Mile bridge crossing of the Cen-peditionary forces had arrived safely ing before the commission in Boston totral Vermont railway, when the south-bound milk train hit their sleigh. The acand that every member of the nation's day by Charles G. Morris, president and armed forces at home and abroad would general manager of the New Haven Dairying acts. Amos S. Chase and Mrs. L. Alleen Hundreds of thousands of pounds of the best turkeys to be bought in the eastern said that in his opinion the consumers The Rev. Mr. Waldron was indicted yesof them went to the A. H. Temple farm markets have been sent across the Atlan-near the Three Mile bridge and called the tic, not only for General Pershing's men.

of them went to the A. H. Temple farm markets have been sent across the Atlannear the Three Mile bridge and called the police, who went to the place, having notified the authorities in Middlesex of patrolling foreign waters. Bountiful protic, not only for General Pershing's men, great extent.

The New Haven Dairying company patrolling foreign waters. Bountiful protics, not only for General Pershing's men, great extent.

The New Haven Dairying company patrolling foreign waters. Bountiful provision also has been made for the army's in selling milk at a rate of 13 cents a quart training camps and cantonments and for the navy's stations and ships in home paying the farmers eight cents a quart waters.

f. o. b. New Haven for milk averaging One battleship has announced that its 3.25 per cent, butter fat with higher rates

Christmas menu will be:

for milk of higher test, Christmas menu will be:

Mock turtle soup, olives, roast turkey (sage dressing), giblet gravy, cranbers, sauce, potatoes au gratin, celery, reast loin of pork, mixed pickles, buttered beets, apple sauce, mashed sweet potatoes, asparagus salad, cheese and crackers, apple ple, chocolate cake, ice cream, fresh fruit, nuts and raisins, coffee, cigars.

The war and navy departments say no of patriotic citizens. Transports have car-All parcels were opened at an American

port and their contents examined to prevent possible transmission of dangerous men a wide assortment of remembrances, most of which were appropriate for immediate use and ministered to the comfort of men exposed to camp or trench life. Through the war and navy department the State fuel administrator's office is that all camps, cantonments and stations will

be improving and that the people can feel There will be athletic events, amateur and June, another falling off in July at least for a little while as though they theatricals, community concerts and and August, more surplus milk in would have fuel. A message was received religious observance through the Y. M. September and October during the late of the office this morning that in addition C. A., Knights of Columbus and Young grass season and another shortage in Men's Hebrew association organizations. November and December. For that camps in the evening and regimental bands will furnish music.

As on Thanksgiving day the citizens of the communities in the vicinity of camps will contribute to the entertainment of the men, with house parties, automobile rides and dinner parties. Several fraternal organizations have made special ar-rangements for the entertainment of their nembership at the camps.

FOREFATHERS' DAY.

Middlebury Historical Society Observer 297th Anniversary with Banquet.

Middlebury, Dec. 21.—The 297th anniver-sary of Forefathers' day was observed here to-day at the Congregational Church under the auspices of the Middlebury Hisernoon between two and three o'clock torical society. Prof. Charles Baker Montpelier, Dec. 23.—That Raymond, while coasting. With a party of boys and Wright of Middlebury College gave an eight-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Jober reports of 670 accidents of which girls she was coasting down the bank address on "The Nehemiah Way" at the seph Aja, was not killed when three Montpelier, Dec. 24.—Clerk L. C. Moody free wars fatal has allowed compen- on the north side of the Missisquoi river meeting at five o'clock.

G. D. Miner; P. M. Melden of Rutland, Professor Wright, who gave a history of

#### PROMOTION FOR VERMONTERS

ter Ordnance Officer of New Colored Division.

Montpeller, Dec. 21.-Notice has been received at the adjutant-general's office that Major L. S. Tillotson and Major G. ment relative to vocational education to be E. Carpenter have been assigned to a colored division in the process of formation. Major Tillotson will be adjutant of the division, while Major Carpenter is the ordconduct night schools and also on Sun-nance officer of the division. This places each at the top of his branch of service adopts the government's plan, which it is The adjutant of a division generally carries the rank of lieutenant-colonel. It is expected that a promotion will come to Major Tillotson. He was originally assigned to the 35th division in the West. A part of his division is now in Europe.

MOTORISTS WARNED.

Secretary of State Fleetwood Knows All about "Last Year's" Machine.

Montpeller, Dec. 21.-When the nev year starts in the automobile registration business in the office of Secretary of State Frederick Fleetwood it will be found by applicants that the office has a great deal of information relative to the car each registrant drove last summer that they did not know he possessed. The owner who tried to es-cape taxation on the claim that it is a last year's machine will be surprised when he is told that he bought it during the winter. A very complete de-scription of each machine registered this year is on file and will be the registering of machines next year.

FOUR IN FAMILY ENLIST.

Sons of Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Laird of Montpeller in Different Branches.

Montpelier, Dec. 24.-The family of Mr represented in the federal service as any professor at Holderness, has enlisted in be made for the payment of State pay to corps; Albert in the aviation service and by such substitutes."

Although milk has

REJECT BIDS AGAIN.

Second Estimates for State Agricultura School Dormitory Too Large.

Montpelier, Dec. 24.—The committee from the board of education which had charge of placing the contract for the dormitory of the State agricultural school at Randolph has rejected the second lot of bids and will leave the matter in its present condition until They assist nature in restoring strength and vitality. J. W. O'Sullivan, 20 Church St.—Adv.

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They assist nature in restoring strength for completion of the building exemple of completion of the building exemple of the completion of \$15,000. Which are to be discontinued.

Boston, Dec. 21.-Belief that the milk consumers of New England would accept federal milk commission found such an

delivered, he said, although it has been for milk of higher test.
Otto F. Wilkinson, a cost accounting

expert, stated that the delivery of milk in Boston costs the small, independent dealers 2.87 cents. He is an instructor in agriculture and economy at the Agricultural CHRISTMAS TREE 90 FT.
College at Amherst and was called by Attorney-General Henry C. Atwill.

M. E. L. Bradford, treasurer and general manager of the Turner Center Dairying member of the armed forces will fail to association of Auburn, Maine, declared member of the armed forces will fall to association of Auburn, Maine, declared Christmas tree spectacle ever staged in receive a Christmas token from home that his system of the standardization of the United States is being prepared for the friends or from well wishing organizations milk both to the producer and consumer selected men in training at this cantonwas the only solution of the milk problem. ried to France approximately 1,456,000 He admitted that the laws of some States pounds of Christmas gifts for the men of prevent the carrying out of his plan which pounds of Christmas gifts for the men of prevent the carrying out of his plan which aminer, and is being used as a medium the expeditionary forces through special would permit the addition of skimmed for the distribation of "good cheer" packarrangements made by the government, milk to whole milk which tested high in In addition to 250,000 separate parcels butter fats and the sale of such milk on lcan Red Cross society, handled by the military authorities and the percentage of butter fats and the The fir measures nine already reported received, it is estimated weight of the skimmed milk, but he ex- especially selected for Camp Grant by a that an additional 100,000 went directly pressed a hope that the law would sod; party of expert woodsmen who tramped through the mails. be modified to allow such method of

Mr. Morris of the New Haven Dairying association declared that the articles which might have been sent by sale of milk on a standardization plan enemies. Officers in charge of this work was already in effect in many of the have reported that the home folk sent their cities of New England, but that the method of ascertaining its value was different than in Maine.

He thought that the producers should not claim a profit every month in the year. During the past year ommissions on training camp activities, there was a good flow of milk in il camps, cantonments and stations will January, a decrease through February the condition in St. Johnsbury seems to have special Christmas entertainment, and March, a surplus in April, May reason dairying associations adjust the price of milk with farmers quarterly and pay them monthly.

The commission at the close of the afternoon session to-morrow probably adjourn until December 27 for a final session, when Dr. A. W. Gilbert,, secretary of the committe on agriculture H. B. Jones of Swanton.
of the Boston Chamber of Commerce. Before Judge N. N. Post, the respondent will present the results of a survey of 814 farms in New England.

SLIDES UNDER TRAIN

Eight-Year-Old Boy Narrowly Escape Death When Three Cars Pass over Him.

dent was so timed that the youth went | Caledonia eight. Chittenden the first car approaching, instead of in Lamoille one, Orange four, Orleans front of the wheels. Instead of going Rutland 21, Windham nine, Windsor 12 entirely through he stopped under the car, with the result that the car and from under the engine by being pulled was carried to his home, when Dr. C. i. Burr was called. He dress wounds, the most serious of which was a cut an inch and a half long on his head over the right ear. His body, legs and face were scratched and bruised, but the child will be out again in a few days. He is the oldest of four children

"MAN FAILURE" CAUSE OF RAILROAD DISASTER

Louisville, Ky., Dec. 24.—"Man failure" caused the disaster which cost more than two score lives when two estate of Moore; Burlington Light & Louisville & Nashville passenger trains came together in a rear end collision last Thursday night at Shep-herdsville, according to a statement issued to-night by B. M. Starks, general manager of the Louisville & Nashville. In his statement, which summaries the findings of a board of inquiry made up of railroad officials he says, "the first negligence" was the failure

MILK PRICES INCREASE 55 PER CENT. SINCE JUNE

not making schedule time

reaching Shepherdsville."

New York, Dec. 24.-The price New York, Dec. 24.—And a risen 55 per milk in New York city has risen 55 per milk in New York city has risen 55 per cent, since June, 1914, and about per cent. less of the product is being onsumed, according to a report of the mayor's committee on milk made publie to-night. Dr. Charles E. North is chairman of the committee.

"Many families use less milk," the report stated, "and are substituting tea, coffee, beer, wine and other things for the feeding of young children whose health and growth are injured

Although milk has increased greatly in cost, the committee declared that "this is much less than the increase in price of eggs, corn, pork, wheat,

augar, oats, etc." TAKE OFF TRAINS.

To Conserve Fuel Two Sunday C. V. Trains Will Be Discontinued.

St. Albans, Dec. 24.-In order to conserve fuel two Sunday trains will be discontinued after December 30. Train No. 2, which leaves Montreal at 8:41 o'clock in the matter in its present condition until leaves Montreal at 8:41 o'clock in the medicine, ready to use, in homes at least after a meeting of the board of control and education. The second bids, like the first, figures when added together morning and arriving in St. Albans at avoided. There is no better remedy for completion of the building and arriving in St. Albans at

Windsor Is Indicted for Seditious Act.

Brattleboro, Dec. 21.-United States Commissioner Clarence Miller to-night admitted the Rev. Clarence H. Waldron, the "pacifist pastor" of the Baptist Church in Windsor until he resigned recently, to ball in the sum of \$1,000 for his appearance in court here January 8 to answer to an

terday by the grand jury and he was af-rested to-day by United States Marshal Arthur P. Carpenter of Brattleboro. He is said to have advised young men not to enlist or take any part in war activities. A few weeks ago he declined to allow his congregation to sing the Star Spangled Banner in church and later several hun-American flag. With the minister came his wife who is said to be of German de

HIGH AT CAMP GRANT

Camp Grant, Ill., Dec. 24.-The greatest

ment. The tree is the gift of the Chicago Ex-

ages to be given to the boys by the Amer-The fir measures ninety feet, and was

weeks. A five-foot star of Bethlehem will surmount the tree and be visible for many Walter D'Arcy Ryan, the expert who lighted the famous Tower of Jewels at the San Francisco Exposition, is in charge of the general electric scheme. Mr. Ryan

5,000 of the jewels which were made for the Golden Gate spectacle.

More than 500,000,000 candle power will be required for the illumination. searchlights, each requiring 10,000,000 candle power, have been installed in camouflaged shelter houses located at three different points of the big parade ground

has brought to Camp Grant more than

SWANTON MAN HELD IN LIQUOR CASE

on which the tree has been erected.

St. Albans, Dec. 24.-Philip Grodzinsky was brought here from Swanton this morning following a search for liquor at his home Sunday night by Deputy Sheriffs George P. Catlin of this city and

furnished bail for appearance at a jury trial in Swanton Thursday morning on the charge of keeping liquor with intent to sell. State's Attorney W. R. McFeeters prosecuted and E. A. Ayers of Swanton and Roswell M. Austin of this city appeared for the respondent.

31 CHITTENDEN CASES.

County Lends in Suits for Argument before Supreme Court.

Following this meeting, the Ladies' So- tral Vermont railway, tracks about 10 trial calendar of the January term of cial party of the church served the usual o'clock Saturday morning is the won- court which convenes next Tuesday. It is banquet, President Thomas of the college der of all who saw the accident. The in the form of the general docket and the acting as toastmaster. The program in- boy and other children were sliding extra calendar which is generally issued cluded: The Rev. G. M. Moody of the down Putnam street towards where will not be this term, so that every Methodist Church, who spoke on current there was in years gone by a crossing, case in the docket is set for trial in the events; solo, Miss Mabel Cottrell; "The but which, a few years ago, was moved. order in which they appear in the docket. Puritans," the Rev. E. B. Holmes of St. The street was more slippery than us- This means that each attorney must Stephen's Episcopal Church; piano and ual, with the result that the youth went watch the first days of the term for vocal duet, Mrs. Mary Cushman and Mrs. on the railroad tracks just as the any case that may be set for arguments G. D. Miner; P. M. Melden of Rutland, shifting crew with its train was apearly in the term. There are from Addi-who spoke on the war in general; and proaching. By good fortune the accibetween the front and rear wheels of three, Franklin seven, Grand Isle one,

> Those for argument in Chittender the two following and a part of the county are: Auclair vs. Bushey; Weston engine went over him. He was taken Telephone company vs. Lavelle; Latulip vs. Burlington; Isham vs. Central Vermont and Rutland railroads; Burlington vs. same defendants: McGraw vs. Eldred: of Merrill; Powell vs. Merrill; Labarge vs. Leddy; Duprat vs. Chesmore; Arnold vs. Somers; Trask vs. Kelleher; Trask vs. Fountain: Burlington Drug company vs. Wallingford Cash store; White vs. White; Jarvis vs. Military Post Street railway; Hefflon vs. Cashman; Bundy vs. Shelton Swallow company; Smith vs. Reynolds: Graton vs. Gates; Vermont Fruit company vs. Wilson; Walker vs. Burlington; Kommel & Son vs. Champlain Transportation company; Deyette vs. Deyette; Powell vs. Power company vs. Burlington; New York Life Insurance vs. Kimball; State vs.

> > STATE'S ATTORNEYS HANDLE DRAFT APPEALS

Montpelier, Dec. 24.-Gov. H. F. Graham has sent a letter to the State's of the flagman and conductor of the attorneys of the several counties advistrain ahead, "to protect the rear of ing them that they will look after the their train while it was standing on appeals for the federal government unde the main line at and near Shepherds- the new draft regulations, as they did ville and in failing to protect it while under those which have been eliminated, not making schedule time before The letter was sent them because some of the attorneys had asked advice as to how they could take appeals when they were acting as members of the legal ad-visory boards. They were advised that the duties of the two positions do not conflict with each other.

BELLOWS FALLS BOY DIES IN FRANCE

William O'Brien, Co. E, 1st Vt. Inf. Victim of Scarlet Fever.

Bellows Falls, Dec. 24.—The adjutant-general's office at Washington has advised by wire of the death in France by scarlet fever of the first Bellows Falls boy to give up his life on foreign soil. He is William O'Brien, 22, who went from here as a member of the local Company E of the First Vermont Infantry. is the son of John J. O'Brien of North Walpole, N. H. He was the oldest of a family of ten children and his parents are living. The deceased was a young man well and favorably known here, havseveral terms.

READY NOW AT OLD PRICES Fresh lots of Foley's Honey and Tar Compound are selling at before-the-war prices. This puts this well-known cough